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OPERATIONAL MEMORANDUM

TO: Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Sponsors: Child Care Centers and Homes

FROM: Maureen B. Staggenborg, Director, Child Nutrition Programs

DATE: December 23, 2002

SUBJECT: **Operational Memorandum #3C-03 and #3H-03:**
I. Guidance for Crediting Cookies, Crackers and Cereals in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
II. CACFP Resources

I. Guidance for Crediting Cookies, Crackers and Cereals in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

Enclosed is a new copy of *Guidance for Crediting Cookies, Crackers and Cereals in the Child and Adult Care Food Program*, dated January 2003. This publication updates and replaces the *Policy for Crediting Cookies, Crackers and Cereals in the Child and Adult Care Food Program* previously distributed to all sponsors with Operational Memorandum # 10C-98 and 13H-98, dated September 4, 1998. Please discard all old copies of the policy.

Guidance for Crediting Cookies, Crackers and Cereals in the Child and Adult Care Food Program includes all new cookies, crackers and cereals submitted to the Office of Child Nutrition as of December 2002. **All sponsors should carefully review the list to determine the crediting information and serving size of all cookies, crackers and cereals used in their centers or day care homes.** As the crediting lists from the old policy have been updated and some corrections have been made, sponsors should **not** assume that the previous crediting information and serving size is correct. Day care home sponsors should share this updated resource with their providers in a timely manner.

In the near future, this document will also be available on the Office of Child Nutrition's new Child and Adult Care Food Program website, at www.state.ct.us/sde/deps/nutrition/index.htm. We expect to have the website operational by February 2003.

II. CACFP Resources

Enclosed are the most recent issues of *Mealttime Memo for Child Care* from the National Food Service Management Institute (NFSMI): Cultural Diversity (2002-1), Feeding Infants: The First Twelve Months (2002-2), and Internet Resources for CACFP (2002-3). *Mealttime Memo*, also available in Spanish, is available at: www.nfsmi.org/Information/Newsletters/index.html. Also enclosed is the Office of Child Nutrition's most recent "List of Nutrition-Related Websites."

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this memo, please contact Susan Fiore at (860) 807-2075.